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Letter dated 28 September 2000 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to my letter dated 3 December 1999 (S/1999/1235), in which I proposed, and the Security Council subsequently approved (S/1999/1236), the establishment of the United Nations Peace-building Support Office in the Central African Republic (BONUCA) for an initial period of one year. The current mandate of BONUCA will expire on 14 February 2001.

Following consultations with the Government of the Central African Republic, I propose that this mandate be extended until 31 December 2001. In light of the difficult situation in the country and the climate of instability in the subregion, this extension would allow the Office to continue to support the efforts of the Government of the Central African Republic to consolidate peace and national reconciliation and to strengthen democratic institutions and the rule of law.

I should be grateful if you would bring this letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Kofi A. **Annan**

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